

Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

PROGRAM COMMITTEE NAME:		Radiation Therapy				
CHAIRPERSON:		Judy Massie				
MEETING DATE:		3/20/14	MEETING TIME:	12:00 PM	MEETING PLACE:	Allied Health 155
RECORDER:		Kim Lacey, Executive Secretary 806.354.6055 kslacey@actx.edu		PREVIOUS MEETING:		3/7/13
MEMBERS PRESENT						
List all members of the committee, then place an X in the box left of name if present						
	NAME	TITLE	EMPLOYER INFO	PHONE	EMAIL	
X	Tommie Gressett	Radiation Therapist	UMC Southwest Center	806.775.8600	tommie.gressett@umchealthsystemc.om	
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X	Judy Massie	Higher Education Rep.	Director/MDS Program	806.354.6068	jmassie@actx.edu	
X	Dale Barker	Chief Therapist	Texas Oncology	806.231.0614	cas.barker@usonoclogy.com	
X	Airiel Lee	Student Rep.	N/A	N/A	N/A	
	Sarah Haro	Radiation Therapist	Joe Arrington Cancer Center	806.725.8141	sharo@covhs.org	
EX-OFFICIO'S PRESENT						
X	Tony Tackitt	Director	Amarillo College	806.354.6063	tmtackitt@actx.edu	
X	Mark Rowh	Dean	Amarillo College	806.354.6070	merowh@actx.edu	
X	Ernesto Olmos	Advisor	Amarillo College	806.354.6007	efolmos@actx.edu	
	Kim Crowley	Director/CHCE	Amarillo College	806.354.6085	kacrowley@actx.edu	
AGENDA ITEM		ACTION DISCUSSION INFORMATION			RESPONSIBILITY	
Welcome & Introductions		Massie, Chairperson, called the meeting to order and introductions followed.			Massie	
Approval of Minutes		The minutes of the 3.7.2013 meeting were approved with no corrections.			All committee members	
Health Science Advisor		Olmos reported that 9,700 students registered for the spring semester. April 14 th is registration for summer and fall. Spring Fling at West Campus is April 29 th . The college is offering free tutoring for medical terminology students available at West Campus and Washington Campus. Olmos will be assisting employees and students with filing their tax returns with Benefit Bank. There is also a Money Management Program that students can utilize in Career Services at Washington Campus.			Olmos	
Continuing Health Care		Absent			Crowley	
Student Representative		Lee reported that everything was going well. The students are anxious to finish their clinical rotation and graduate.			Lee	
Director's Report		Tackitt gave everyone a copy of the current Programs Mission and Goals, and a copy of the "new" Programs Mission and Goals which have been changed to reflect student outcomes. <i>Baker made a motion to approve the new Programs Mission and Goals and student outcomes, seconded by Gressett, and unanimously approved by all other voting members.</i> Tackitt described the program outcomes being used			Tackitt	

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	<p>to measure various benchmarks such as communication, critical thinking, professionalism and clinical competence. Members agreed the outcomes were representative of what needed to be measured.</p>	
Continued....	<p>Tackitt gave everyone a copy of the program benchmarks. On 5.2: Program graduates overall satisfaction with the program. The class average was 3.25 which is still within the 4.0 realm, however, it was a bit lower than normal due to the fact there were some student issues. Barker added that one factor may have been that this particular group of students seemed to complain more than prior classes, and it is difficult to run a smooth clinic with a disruptive class. Tackitt added that if students do not do well in one clinical setting for one reason or another, they can be moved to a different clinical setting. Baker and Gressett like the midterm evaluations. The grading scale was relabeled as Competent/Good; Acceptable; Unacceptable.</p> <p>Tackitt informed the committee that the program lost Harrington Cancer Center (HCC) as a clinic site. HCC anticipated taking students this fall but not as many students as they have taken in the past. Panhandle Cancer Care Center verbally agreed to take student(s) and an affiliation agreement was sent for their signature, and has not been returned. Tackitt is trying to get in touch with this facility as a future clinical site.</p> <p>Tackitt informed the committee that Texas Legislators have mandated that junior colleges that have A.A.S. degrees must reduce their curriculum to 60 hours. The program sits currently at 72 hours. Tackitt and the other two accredited programs in the state hope to appeal. Basis for the appeal: In summary, the new radiation therapy curriculum is based on the latest data relevant to the profession and reflects the dynamic health care environment. The curriculum offers a foundation for individual professional development at a minimum level of a baccalaureate degree. It allows for flexibility in the development of a curriculum designed to meet the needs of the local community yet meet the requirements for the JRCERT Standards and the ARRT examination. The radiation therapy professional curriculum is in line with a baccalaureate education.</p>	Tackitt
Affiliation Reports	<p>Gressett reported that when students hand their mid rotation evaluations to the therapist, she is making sure that she sees them before they are sent back to Tackitt. She likes that the clinic rotations are longer. Barker agreed. Barker and Gressett agreed that the "Blue Sheet" reforms to wording on the grading scale is working better. They also agreed that the longer rotations were very helpful. The</p>	Gressett & Barker

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	student agreed as well.	
Dean of Health Sciences	Rowh thanked everyone for all their support of the program and the students.	Rowh
Adjournment	Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:20 PM	Massie
Chairperson Signature: <i>Judy Massie</i>		Date: 3/20/14
		Next Meeting: Spring 2015